

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 - 11. (CANCELLED).

12. (WITHDRAWN) A method for providing an online presence for a first member of a group of members comprising the steps of:

maintaining a database comprising information associated with said first member;

allotting a first URL to said first member;

associating a first website with said first URL, said first website comprising information from said database associated with said first member; a first control for sending a message to said first member; and a second control for submitting a comment about said first member;

receiving an online request for said first URL from a requesting source;

providing said first website to said requesting source.

13. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of providing a message entry interface in response to activation of said first control.

14. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of providing a comment entry interface in response to activation of said second control.

15. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 further comprising a link to an existing website of said first member.

16. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 wherein said first website further comprises rating information associated with said first member.

17. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 wherein said first website further comprises a control for submitting rating information for said first member.

18. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of providing a rating entry interface in response to activation of a control of said first website.

19. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 13 further comprising the step of receiving a message entered into said message entry interface.

20. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 14 further comprising the step of receiving a comment entered into said comment entry interface.

21. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 18 further comprising the step of receiving rating information entered into said rating entry interface.

22. (WITHDRAWN) The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of sending a message to an existing e-mail address for said first member.

23. (NEW) A method for communicating an online message to an off-line recipient comprising the steps of:

creating an online address for an off-line recipient without knowledge of said recipient;
receiving an online communication at said created online address corresponding to that recipient;

determining an off-line delivery destination corresponding to said recipient;
converting said online communication to an appropriate format for off-line delivery;
delivering said converted online communication to said off-line destination.

24. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said step of determining an off-line delivery destination comprises the step of retrieving said off-line delivery destination from a database.

25. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said off-line delivery destination comprises a facsimile machine.

26. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said off-line delivery destination comprises a telephone system.

27. (NEW) The method of claim 25 wherein said step of converting said online communication comprises converting said online communication into a facsimile format.

28. (NEW) The method of claim 26 wherein said step of converting said online communication comprises converting said online communication into an audio format.

29. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said online communication comprises an electronic mail message.

30. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said online address comprises an electronic mail address.

31. (NEW) The method of claim 23 wherein said recipient is a member of a group of recipients having online addresses that identify said group.

32. (NEW) The method of claim 31 wherein said group comprises a professional group.

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33. (NEW) The method of claim 32 wherein said professional group comprises a group of doctors.